# Iowa State Freight Plan Iowa State Rail Plan

Freight Advisory Council
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# Iowa State Freight Plan

# Stakeholder input areas

- Industry trends and issues
- Conditions of the system
- Performance measures
- Implementation strategies and priorities

# Guidance on State Freight Plans

- USDOT guidance
- Must include:
  - The performance measures that will guide the freightrelated transportation investment decisions in the State

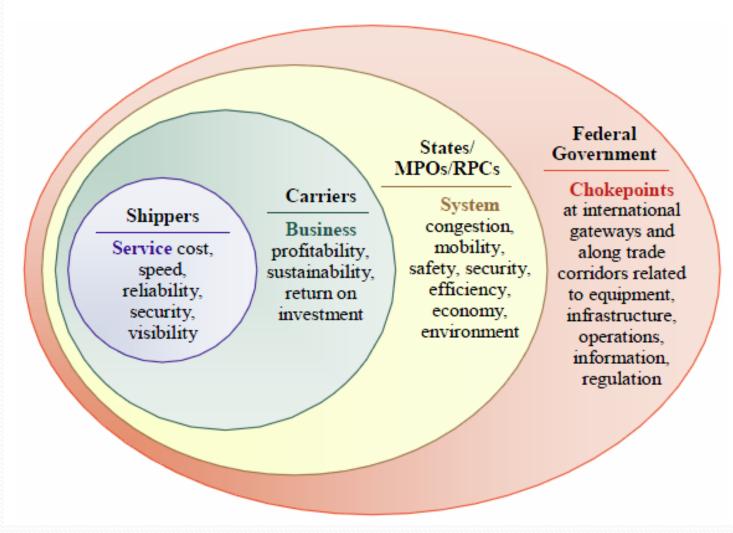
#### Guidance on performance measures

- Recommendations:
  - State Freight Plans include measures of conditions and performance established by USDOT
  - Until those measures are established, however, the Department recommends that States use the measures of condition and performance that they consider to be most reasonable and appropriate.
  - Reflect the State's freight transportation goals--for each goal, there would be at least one measure of condition or performance that indicates how well the freight transportation system is doing in achieving that goal.
  - Reflect quality of service to users, including shippers and general public

# National freight goals

- Improve the contribution of the freight transportation system to economic efficiency, productivity, and competitiveness;
- 2. Reduce **congestion** on the freight transportation system;
- Improve the safety, security, and resilience of the freight transportation system;
- 4. Improve the **state of good repair** of the freight transportation system;
- 5. Use advanced technology, performance management, innovation, competition, and accountability in operating and maintaining the freight transportation system; and
- 6. Reduce adverse **environmental and community impacts** of the freight system.

Figure 6.1 Primary Areas of Concern to Freight Stakeholders



Source: Vermont Freight Plan

# Examples

MODE	PERFORMANCE MEASURES
Air	Tonnage; Percentage of airports with Pavement Condition Index (PCI) of 70 or above on paved runways; Number of freight carriers providing direct service to Iowa airports
Highway	Combination truck miles traveled; Combination truck hours of delay; Travel Time Reliability on freight corridors
Pipeline	Measure of delays at pumping stations; Storage levels of propane
Railroad	Tonnage; Percent of network able to handle 286,000 pound cars; Percent of businesses within 100 miles of transload facility
Waterway	Tonnage moving on Missouri and Mississippi Rivers; Measure of delays at Locks on Mississippi River; Percent of businesses within 100 miles of a barge terminal

# Performance measure input exercise

Considering the USDOT guidance recommendations and example performance measures on flip charts...

- 1) Identify any additional performance measures
  - What measures are important to you and your business plan?
  - What things are critical to measure for your operation and your bottom line?
- 2) Add post-its to appropriate modal sheet

# Iowa State Rail Plan

## Update of State Rail Plan

- Consultant: HDR
- Duration: 12-18 Months
- Overall Tasks for the State Rail Plan Effort
  - Stakeholder Coordination and Public Outreach
  - Role of Rail in Statewide Transportation
  - Existing Rail System: Description and Inventory
  - Proposed Passenger Rail Improvements and Investments
  - Proposed Freight Rail Improvements and Investments
  - Rail Service and Investment Program
  - Draft State Rail Plan Preparation and Presentation
  - Final State Rail Plan

#### Tentative Schedule - State Rail Plan

- Final Public Involvement Plan Complete July 31, 2015
- Five Focus Group Meetings TBD
- Three High Leverage Stakeholder Committee Meetings –
   TBD
- One Public Open House TBD
- One Online Public Meeting TBD
- Rail Plan Video December 2015
- Draft State Rail Plan June 2015
- Final State Rail Plan July 2015

# Future input needs

- Assist with identifying stakeholders
- Individual interviews

### Input exercise directions

- State Freight Plan
- 1) Identify any additional performance measures
- 2) Add post-its to appropriate modal sheet

- State Rail Plan
- 1) Identify any missing stakeholders for input
- 2) Individual interviews recommendations

# Questions?

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